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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6994 DATE PREPARED: Jan 23, 2001

BILL NUMBER: HB 2066 BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Uniform Crime Reporting System.

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FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL IMPACT: State & Local

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<u>Summary of Legislation:</u> This bill requires Indiana law enforcement agencies to make uniform crime reports to the Indiana State Police Department (State Police) in a form and on a schedule to be established by the State Police. It requires the State Police to submit uniform crime report information to the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI).

Effective Date: July 1, 2001.

Explanation of State Expenditures: The State Police would experience an increase in administrative expenses regarding the provisions of this bill. Annual expenses would total approximately \$500,000. Expenses would result from additional staff, computer reprogramming and equipment.

Under current Indiana law, the State Police is required to act as the official state central repository for criminal history data. In accordance with the provisions of this bill, the State Police would also be required to do so for uniform crime reporting and would be required to submit uniform crime report information to the FBI in the form and on the schedule established by the FBI.

Specifically, the State Police would be required to do the following: 1) establish a format and system for each law enforcement agency to use; 2) annually report to the Indiana Legislative Services Agency the name of law enforcement agencies not in compliance; and 3) provide technical assistance to law enforcement agencies.

The State Police would be allowed to exempt one or more law enforcement agencies from compliance based on whether the law enforcement agency has adequate procedures, personnel, and equipment in place to comply with this bill, or whether the law enforcement agency has received adequate training.

The funds and resources required above could be supplied through a variety of sources, including the following: 1) existing staff and resources not currently being used to capacity; 2) existing staff and resources

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currently being used in another program; and 3) authorized, but vacant, staff positions, including those positions that would need to be reclassified. Other sources to fund additional staff could originate from funds that otherwise would be reverted, or from new appropriations. (The State Police reverted \$1,197,927 to the State General Fund for FY 2000.)

Ultimately, the source of funds and resources required to satisfy the requirements of this bill would depend upon legislative and administrative actions. Funding for the Indiana State Police originates from the state General Fund and the Motor Vehicle Highway Fund.

Background- Currently, law enforcement agencies submit crime reports directly to the FBI. There are currently 448 city and town police departments and 92 county sheriff departments in the State of Indiana.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: Law enforcement agencies could experience an increase in administrative expenses regarding the provisions of this bill. However, since law enforcement agencies already submit crime reports to the FBI, it is not likely that expenses would be significant. The specific effects would vary by agency and would depend upon the sophistication of each agency's personnel and equipment.

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: State Police.

<u>Local Agencies Affected:</u> Law Enforcement Agencies.

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